



Disabled Access Regulations

Site Development & Accessible Route of Travel

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NOTE: Accessible Route of Travel is defined as "a continuous unobstructed path connecting all accessible elements and spaces in an accessible building or facility that can be negotiated by a person with a severe disability using a wheelchair, and that is also safe for and usable by persons with other disabilities, and that also is consistent with the definition of 'path of travel' in **Sections 217-P and 1102B**.

Site development and grading shall be designed to provide access to all entrances and exterior ground floor exits, and access to normal paths of travel, and where necessary to provide access, shall incorporate pedestrian ramps, curb ramps, etc. **Sec. 1127B.1.**

At least one accessible route within the boundary of the site shall be provided from public transportation stops, accessible parking, accessible passenger loading zones, and public streets or sidewalks to the accessible building entrance they serve. When more than one route is provided, all routes shall be accessible. **Sec. 1114B.1.2.**

When more than one building or facility is located on a site, accessible routes of travel shall be provided between buildings and accessible site facilities. **Sec. 1114B.1.2 and 1127B.1.**

The accessible route of travel shall "be the most practical direct route between accessible building entrances, accessible site facilities, and the accessible entrance to the site to the maximum extent feasible, coinciding with the route for the general public." **Sec. 1114B.1.2 and 1127B.1.**

Provide signs displaying the international symbol of accessibility at every primary public entrance and at every major junction along or leading to an accessible route of travel. Signs shall indicate the direction to accessible building entrances and shall comply with **Section 1117B.5. Sec. 1127B.3.**

WALKS AND SIDEWALKS

Walks and sidewalks shall have a continuous common surface, not interrupted by steps or by abrupt changes in level exceeding 1/2", and shall be a minimum of 48"

in width. **Sec. 1133B.7.1**

When abrupt changes in level not exceeding 1/2" occur, they shall be beveled with a slope no greater than 1:2, except that level changes not exceeding 1/4" may be vertical. **Sec. 1133B.7.4 & Fig. 11B-5E (c) and (d).**

Abrupt changes in level along any accessible route exceeding 1/2" shall comply with the requirements for curbs. **Sec. 1133B.7.4**

When the slope in the direction of travel of any walk exceeds 1 vertical to 20 horizontal it shall comply with the provisions of Section 1133B.5 as a pedestrian ramp. **Sec. 1133B.7.3**

Walk and sidewalk surface cross slopes shall not exceed 1/4" per foot. **Sec. 1133B.7.1.3**

Walks shall be provided with a level area not less than 60" by 60" at a door or gate that swings toward the walk, and not less than 48" wide by 44" deep at a door or gate that swings away from the walk. **Sec. 1133B.7.5**

Walks shall extend a minimum of 24" to the side of the strike edge of a door or gate that swings toward the walk. **Sec. 1133B.7.5**

All walks with continuous gradients shall have level areas at least 5' in length at intervals of at least every 400'. **Sec. 1133B.7.6**

Walk and sidewalk surfaces with a slope of less than 6% gradient shall be at least as slip-resistant as that described as a medium salted finish. **Sec. 1133B.7.1.1**

Walk and sidewalk surfaces with a slope of 6% or more gradient shall be slip-resistant. **Sec. 1133B.7.1.2**

Walks, sidewalks, and pedestrian ways shall be free of gratings whenever possible. For gratings located in the surface of any of these areas, grid openings in gratings shall be no greater than 1/2" wide in one direction. If gratings have elongated openings, they shall be placed so that the long dimension is perpendicular to the dominant direction of travel. **Sec. 1133B.7.2 & Fig. 11B-7B (a).**

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